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Mr. Ron Wilson National Institutes of Health Division of Facilities Planning, ORF 31 Center Drive Room 3B44, MSC 2162 Bethesda, MD 20892-2162

Re: Construction and Operation of an Integrated Research Facility by the National Institutes of Health at Fort Detrick, Maryland (CEQ 030542)

Dear Mr. Wilson:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the above referenced project. EPA has determined that the National Institutes of Health has adequately addressed its comments within the FEIS.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you need assistance in the future, the staff contact for the project is Karen DelGrosso; she can be reached at 215-814-2765.

Sincerely,

William Arguto

NEPA/Federal Facilities Team Leader